

## NOAA Oceanic and Atmospheric Research

### 1. Ballast Water Technology Demonstration Program

Summary Description: NOAA, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the U.S. Maritime Administration expect to entertain proposals to conduct ballast water treatment technology testing and demonstration projects. The Ballast Water Technology Demonstration Program supports projects to develop, test, and demonstrate technologies that treat ships' ballast water in order to reduce the threat of introduction of aquatic invasive species to U.S. waters through the discharge of ballast water.

Funding Availability: Depending on 2005 appropriations, NOAA and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service expect to make available up to about \$2 million in FY 2005, and the U.S. Maritime Administration expects to make available several vessels for use as test platforms, to support ballast water treatment technology demonstration projects. The maximum amount of award will vary with the scale of the proposed project. If \$2 million is made available, approximately 8 grants with a median value of about \$200,000 are anticipated to be awarded.

Statutory Authority: Statutory authority for this program is provided under 16 U.S.C. 4701 et seq.; 33 U.S.C. 1121-1131; 46 U.S.C. App 1211 (2000); 50 U.S.C. App 1744 (2000).

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 11.417, Sea Grant Support;  
15.FFA Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance

Application Deadline: Applications must be received by the National Sea Grant Office by 4 p.m. EDT on August 27, 2004 for pre-proposals, and by 4 p.m. EST on November 16, 2004 for full proposals.

Addresses for Submitting Proposals: Pre-proposals and full proposals must be submitted to the National Sea Grant Office, Attn: Mrs. Geraldine Taylor, SG-Ballast Water, 1315 East-West Highway, R/SG, Rm 11732, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Telephone number for express mail applications is 301-713-2445.

Information Contact(s): Dorn Carlson, NOAA National Sea Grant Office, 301-713-2435; via internet at Dorn.Carlson@noaa.gov; or Pamela Thibodeaux, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 703-358-2493; via internet at Pamela\_Thibodeaux@fws.gov; or Deborah Aheron, U.S. Maritime Administration, 202-366-8887; via internet at Deborah.Aheron@marad.dot.gov. Further information can be obtained from the above information contacts, or on the Ballast Water Program website, <http://www.nsgo.seagrant.org/research/nonindigenous/ballast>.

Eligibility: Individuals, institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, commercial organizations, Federal, State, local and Indian tribal governments, foreign governments, organizations under the jurisdiction of foreign governments, and international organizations are eligible. Only those who submit pre-proposals by the deadline are eligible to submit full proposals.

Cost Sharing Requirements: none.

Intergovernmental Review: Applications under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."